

Progress of the work of Devarabelakere pick up in Harihar Taluk.

622. SRI H. SHIVAPPA (Harihar). — Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(a) the stage and the progress of the work of Devarabelakere pickup in Harihar Taluk;

(b) the total acreage that is to be covered under this project;

(c) the probable time within which the work will be completed;

(d) the reasons for the stoppage of work at present?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Chief Minister).—

(a) Head works are completed except for spillway Bridge. Left Bank Canal is excavated upto 13th KM. and Right Bank Canal upto 21st KM. C.D. works in these reaches are in progress.

total estimated cost is Rs. 676.00 lakhs and expenditure to end of March 1980 is Rs 440.00 lakhs.

(b) 12,152 Acres.

(c) By March 1982.

(d) The works are in progress. Only the work of spillway bridge is stopped as the contractor has approached court of law for claiming enhanced rates.

SRI H. SHIVAPPA.—May I know the Contractor to whom the work was entrusted and when it was entrusted?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO.—Messers Karnataka Traders were the Contractors. The date was 3-10-1975. Since they have approached the Court, the work is delayed.

SRI H. SHIVAPPA.—What were the reasons for the Contractor to approach the court?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO.—The Contractor had been entrusted with certain works for a certain period. He did not complete the works but demanded more money. Since the Government did not pay the extra money which he demanded, he approached the Court and the matter is pending before the court.

SRI H. SHIVAPPA.—What are the valid reasons for having not paid the legitimate amount due to him?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO.—It is not the legitimate amount he is demanding. The conditions first agreed to by him are not fulfilled. That is why the Department insisted upon him to complete the work.

When he refused to complete the work and demanded more money, the Department did not pay. Then he went to the court against the order of the Department.

SRI H. SHIVAPPA.—Are there no rules to rescind the contract if the terms and conditions are not fulfilled? If so, why the Government did not take steps to rescind the contract and entrust the work to some other contractor so that the work could have been completed?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO.—There are provisions to rescind the contract. But as the matter is pending before the court we could not do so. Moreover, it could have been sub-judice.

Veterinary Hospitals without Doctors

626 SRI M. C. BASAPPA (Chamarajanagar).—Will the Minister for Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Animal Husbandry be pleased to state.—

(a) the total number of Veterinary Hospitals which are without Doctors in the State ;

(b) the procedure adopted by the Government to fill up these posts ?

SRI Y. RAMAKRISHNA (Minister for Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Animal Husbandry).—

(a) Veterinary Hospitals	...	2 posts of Assistant Directors
Veterinary Dispensaries	...	57 posts of Veterinary Assistant Surgeons
Rural Veterinary Dispensaries	...	313 Veterinary and Livestock Inspectors
Total	...	372
(b) Assistant Directors	...	Sixty percent by promotion and forty percent by direct recruitment.
Veterinary Assistant Surgeons	...	By direct recruitment
Veterinary and Livestock Inspectors	...	Fifty percent by direct recruitment and Fifty percent by promotion.

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